



STATE OF WISCONSIN

Assembly Journal

Ninety-Eighth Regular Session

MONDAY, February 4, 2008

The Chief Clerk makes the following entries under the above date:

AMENDMENTS OFFERED

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 424** offered by Representative Gunderson.

Assembly substitute amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 480** offered by Representative Cullen.

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 695** offered by committee on **Judiciary and Ethics**.

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 702** offered by Representative Friske.

Assembly amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 725** offered by Representative Strachota.

Assembly substitute amendment 1 to **Assembly Bill 730** offered by Representatives Steinbrink, Kerkman and Kreuser.

Assembly substitute amendment 2 to **Senate Bill 69** offered by Representative Friske.

INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF PROPOSALS

Read first time and referred:

Assembly Joint Resolution 96

Relating to: recognition of July as Postpartum Depression Awareness Month.

By Representatives Van Roy, Sheridan, Musser, Boyle, Townsend, Turner, Owens, Wasserman, Kerkman, Albers, A. Ott, Mursau, M. Williams, Hixson, Petrowski, Moulton, Davis, Nerison, Murtha and Berceau; cosponsored by Senators Darling, Lassa, Olsen and Roessler.

To committee on **Rules**.

Assembly Bill 746

Relating to: the age at which a person who is alleged to have violated a criminal law, a civil law, or a municipal ordinance is subject to circuit court or municipal court rather than juvenile court jurisdiction, imposing a fee on the sale of

video games and video gaming devices, and making an appropriation.

By Representatives Friske, Grigsby, Kessler, Jeskewitz, Bies, Boyle, Townsend, Berceau, Sherman, Turner, Sinicki, Ballweg, Seidel, Parisi, A. Williams, Fields, Young, Schneider, Staskunas, Toles and Soletski; cosponsored by Senators Erpenbach, Taylor, Vinehout, Breske, Miller and Sullivan.

To committee on **Criminal Justice**.

Assembly Bill 747

Relating to: providing notice of abstinence-only education.

By Representatives Grigsby, Benedict, Berceau, Black, Boyle, Fields, Kessler, Parisi, Pocan, Pope-Roberts, Seidel, Sheridan, Sinicki, Soletski, Toles, Turner and Wasserman; cosponsored by Senators Taylor and Risser.

To committee on **Education Reform**.

Assembly Bill 748

Relating to: creating a nonrefundable individual and corporate income tax credit for health care providers who provide services to Medical Assistance recipients at a higher than average rate.

By Representatives Hraychuck, Garthwaite, Staskunas, Berceau, Boyle, Cullen, Fields, Hilgenberg, Hixson, Mason, Molepske, Musser, Nelson, Roth, Sheridan, Shilling, Sinicki, Soletski, Turner, Vruwink, A. Williams and Toles; cosponsored by Senators Kreitlow, Harsdorf, Coggs, Hansen, Roessler and Schultz.

To committee on **Health and Healthcare Reform**.

Assembly Bill 749

Relating to: eliminating certain abortion prohibitions.

By Representatives Berceau, Kreuser, Sinicki, Kessler, Black, Pocan, Pope-Roberts, Seidel, Boyle, Zepnick, Young, Richards, Toles, Sheridan, Parisi, Grigsby, Benedict, Shilling, Turner and Soletski; cosponsored by Senators Miller, Risser and Erpenbach.

To committee on **Judiciary and Ethics**.

Assembly Bill 750

Relating to: providing instruction in human growth and development.

By Representatives Grigsby, Benedict, Berceau, Black, Boyle, Fields, Kessler, Parisi, Pocan, Pope-Roberts, Seidel, Sheridan, Sinicki, Soletski, Toles, Turner, Young and Zepnick; cosponsored by Senators Taylor, Erpenbach, Miller, Plale and Risser.

To committee on **Education Reform**.

Assembly Bill 751

Relating to: tax disclosure statements.

By Representatives Garthwaite, Musser, Soletski, Black, Berceau, Zepnick, Hilgenberg, Mason, Turner, Parisi, Jorgensen, Vruwink, Seidel and Grigsby; cosponsored by Senators Hansen, Vinehout, Wirsch, Jauch, Robson, Coggs, Kreitlow, Lehman, Carpenter and Erpenbach.

To committee on **Ways and Means**.

Assembly Bill 752

Relating to: authorizing a city or village to extend the life of a tax incremental district for one year to benefit housing in the city or village.

By Representatives Grigsby, Colon, Cullen, Fields, Kessler, Parisi, Richards, Sinicki, Toles, Turner, A. Williams, Young, Zepnick and Van Roy; cosponsored by Senators Coggs, Plale and Taylor.

To committee on **Ways and Means**.

Assembly Bill 753

Relating to: prohibitions on feeding deer for hunting or viewing purposes and providing a penalty.

By Representatives Gunderson, Albers, Bies, LeMahieu, A. Ott and Soletski; cosponsored by Senator Vinehout.

To committee on **Natural Resources**.

Assembly Bill 754

Relating to: restricting access to the consolidated court automated Internet Web site.

By Representatives Vos, Grigsby, Gunderson, Schneider, Molepske, Hahn, F. Lasee, Musser, Owens, Albers, Wood, Ballweg, Nygren, Petrowski, Smith, Pridemore, Zepnick and Cullen; cosponsored by Senators Lassa, Grothman, Darling, Olsen, Hansen and Roessler.

To committee on **Corrections and Courts**.

Assembly Bill 755

Relating to: annual or consecutive month permits for overweight vehicle combinations transporting granular roofing material, providing an exemption from emergency rule procedures, and granting rule-making authority.

By Representatives Petrowski, Gunderson, Montgomery, Seidel and Turner; cosponsored by Senators Decker and Lehman.

To committee on **Transportation**.

Assembly Bill 756

Relating to: reports or records kept on the occurrence of fires.

By Representatives Murtha, Albers, Bies, Gunderson, Honadel, Kerkman, F. Lasee, Lothian, Montgomery, Nygren, Petrowski, Smith, Soletski, Van Roy, Vos, Ziegelbauer, Zipperer, Nelson, Berceau, Hintz and A. Ott; cosponsored by Senators Hansen, Cowles, Darling, Ellis, Harsdorf, Jauch, Kapanke, Kreitlow, A. Lasee, Lehman, Olsen, Risser and Schultz.

To committee on **Housing**.

Assembly Bill 757

Relating to: various changes in unemployment insurance law and making an appropriation.

By Representative Honadel; cosponsored by Senator Coggs, by request of Unemployment Insurance Advisory Council.

To committee on **Labor and Industry**.

Assembly Bill 758

Relating to: making various changes in the worker's compensation law.

By Representative Honadel; cosponsored by Senator Coggs, by request of Worker's Compensation Advisory Council.

To committee on **Labor and Industry**.

Assembly Bill 759

Relating to: possession of an electric weapon.

By Representatives Ballweg, Bies, Hines, Kestell, LeMahieu, Molepske, Mursau, Ziegelbauer, Albers, Friske, Gottlieb, Hahn, Hixson, Jeskewitz, Kaufert, Musser, Nygren, A. Ott, Petrowski, Tauchen, Townsend and Lothian; cosponsored by Senators Lassa, Grothman, Olsen, Cowles, Harsdorf, Lazich, Roessler, Schultz and Kedzie.

To committee on **Corrections and Courts**.

Assembly Bill 760

Relating to: registration of professional employer organizations, requiring the exercise of rule-making authority, and providing a penalty.

By Representatives Newcomer, Albers, Ballweg, Berceau, Davis, Hebl, Hintz, Hixson, Hilgenberg, Hraychuck, Jorgensen, Kaufert, Kerkman, Kleefisch, Kreuser, LeMahieu, Mason, Montgomery, Mursau, Nelson, Nygren, A. Ott, Parisi, Pope-Roberts, Sheridan, Shilling, Smith, Soletski, Townsend, Turner, Van Roy and Vukmir; cosponsored by Senators Wirsch, Breske, Hansen, Kapanke, Kreitlow, Lassa, Plale, Olsen, Schultz and Taylor.

To committee on **Small Business**.

Assembly Bill 761

Relating to: ineligibility of convicted felons for licensure as lobbyists.

By Representatives Soletski, Bies, Berceau, Cullen, Hilgenberg, Hraychuck, Molepske, Richards, Sheridan, Sinicki and Staskunas; cosponsored by Senators A. Lasee and Roessler.

To committee on **Judiciary and Ethics**.

Assembly Bill 762

Relating to: the income and franchise tax credit that supplements the federal historic rehabilitation tax credit.

By Representatives Davis, Shilling, Nygren, Hahn and Ballweg; cosponsored by Senators Lassa, Risser, Roessler and Taylor.

To committee on **Ways and Means**.

Assembly Bill 763

Relating to: allowing dairy cooperatives to claim the dairy manufacturing facility investment credit and making an appropriation.

By Representatives Davis, Steinbrink, A. Ott, Albers, Ballweg, Garthwaite, Gronemus, Hahn, Jorgensen, Mursau, Musser, Nass, Nerison, Petrowski, Suder, Tauchen, Vruwink and M. Williams; cosponsored by Senators Vinehout, Kapanke, Harsdorf and Olsen.

To committee on **Agriculture**.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The committee on **Education Reform** reports and recommends:

Assembly Bill 637

Relating to: allowing certain private schools located outside the city of Milwaukee to participate in the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program.

Passage:

Ayes: 5 – Representatives Pridemore, Nass, Vukmir, Wood and J. Ott.

Noes: 3 – Representatives Pope–Roberts, Krusick and A. Williams.

To committee on **Rules**.

DONALD PRIDEMORE
Chairperson
Committee on Education Reform

The committee on **Energy and Utilities** reports and recommends:

Assembly Bill 223

Relating to: excluding Internet access services from the definition of telecommunications services for sales and use tax purposes.

Assembly Amendment 1 adoption:

Ayes: 10 – Representatives Montgomery, Petersen, Hahn, Honadel, Davis, Nerison, Zepnick, Staskunas, Steinbrink and Soletski.

Noes: 0.

Assembly Amendment 2 adoption:

Ayes: 10 – Representatives Montgomery, Petersen, Hahn, Honadel, Davis, Nerison, Zepnick, Staskunas, Steinbrink and Soletski.

Noes: 0.

Passage as amended:

Ayes: 10 – Representatives Montgomery, Petersen, Hahn, Honadel, Davis, Nerison, Zepnick, Staskunas, Steinbrink and Soletski.

Noes: 0.

To joint committee on **Finance**.

PHIL MONTGOMERY
Chairperson
Committee on Energy and Utilities

The joint committee on **Finance** reports and recommends:

Assembly Bill 62

Relating to: electric receptacles maintained by the Department of Natural Resources at state park campsites.

Passage:

Ayes: 16 – Representatives Rhoades, Meyer, Stone, Kestell, Suder, Vos, Pocan and Colon; Senators Miller, Hansen, Taylor, Lehman, Robson, Lassa, Darling and Olsen.

Noes: 0.

To committee on **Rules**.

Assembly Bill 77

Relating to: distributing the school levy and lottery and gaming property tax credits.

Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Amendment 1 adoption:

Ayes: 16 – Representatives Rhoades, Meyer, Stone, Kestell, Suder, Vos, Pocan and Colon; Senators Miller, Hansen, Taylor, Lehman, Robson, Lassa, Darling and Olsen.

Noes: 0.

Assembly Amendment 1 adoption:

Ayes: 16 – Representatives Rhoades, Meyer, Stone, Kestell, Suder, Vos, Pocan and Colon; Senators Miller, Hansen, Taylor, Lehman, Robson, Lassa, Darling and Olsen.

Noes: 0.

Passage as amended:

Ayes: 16 – Representatives Rhoades, Meyer, Stone, Kestell, Suder, Vos, Pocan and Colon; Senators Miller, Hansen, Taylor, Lehman, Robson, Lassa, Darling and Olsen.

Noes: 0.

To committee on **Rules**.

Assembly Bill 83

Relating to: creating an agricultural education and workforce development council and making an appropriation.

Assembly Amendment 1 adoption:

Ayes: 16 – Representatives Rhoades, Meyer, Stone, Kestell, Suder, Vos, Pocan and Colon; Senators Miller, Hansen, Taylor, Lehman, Robson, Lassa, Darling and Olsen.

Noes: 0.

Assembly Amendment 2 adoption:

Ayes: 16 – Representatives Rhoades, Meyer, Stone, Kestell, Suder, Vos, Pocan and Colon; Senators Miller, Hansen, Taylor, Lehman, Robson, Lassa, Darling and Olsen.

Noes: 0.

Assembly Amendment 6 adoption:

Ayes: 16 – Representatives Rhoades, Meyer, Stone, Kestell, Suder, Vos, Pocan and Colon; Senators Miller, Hansen, Taylor, Lehman, Robson, Lassa, Darling and Olsen.

Noes: 0.

Passage as amended:

Ayes: 16 – Representatives Rhoades, Meyer, Stone, Kestell, Suder, Vos, Pocan and Colon; Senators Miller, Hansen, Taylor, Lehman, Robson, Lassa, Darling and Olsen.

Noes: 0.

To committee on **Rules**.

Assembly Bill 294

Relating to: a state electrical wiring code; regulation of electricians, electrical contractors, and electrical inspectors; inspections of electrical wiring; regulation of electrical wiring; regulation of heating and air conditioning contractors by a county with a population of 500,000 or more; and granting rule-making authority.

Assembly Amendment 1 adoption:

Ayes: 16 – Representatives Rhoades, Meyer, Stone, Kestell, Suder, Vos, Pocan and Colon; Senators Miller, Hansen, Taylor, Lehman, Robson, Lassa, Darling and Olsen.
Noes: 0.

Assembly Amendment 2 adoption:

Ayes: 16 – Representatives Rhoades, Meyer, Stone, Kestell, Suder, Vos, Pocan and Colon; Senators Miller, Hansen, Taylor, Lehman, Robson, Lassa, Darling and Olsen.
Noes: 0.

Passage as amended:

Ayes: 15 – Representatives Rhoades, Meyer, Stone, Kestell, Suder, Pocan and Colon; Senators Miller, Hansen, Taylor, Lehman, Robson, Lassa, Darling and Olsen.
Noes: 1 – Representative Vos.

To committee on **Rules**.

Assembly Bill 515

Relating to: the regulation of certain suppliers of liquefied petroleum gas, applicability of the statewide system for notification of the location of transmission facilities, granting rule-making authority, and providing a penalty.

Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 adoption:

Ayes: 16 – Representatives Rhoades, Meyer, Stone, Kestell, Suder, Vos, Pocan and Colon; Senators Miller, Hansen, Taylor, Lehman, Robson, Lassa, Darling and Olsen.
Noes: 0.

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 adoption:

Ayes: 16 – Representatives Rhoades, Meyer, Stone, Kestell, Suder, Vos, Pocan and Colon; Senators Miller, Hansen, Taylor, Lehman, Robson, Lassa, Darling and Olsen.
Noes: 0.

Passage as amended:

Ayes: 15 – Representatives Rhoades, Meyer, Stone, Kestell, Suder, Pocan and Colon; Senators Miller, Hansen, Taylor, Lehman, Robson, Lassa, Darling and Olsen.
Noes: 1 – Representative Vos.

To committee on **Rules**.

KITTY RHOADES
Assembly Chairperson
Joint Committee on Finance

The committee on **Financial Institutions** reports and recommends:

Assembly Bill 485

Relating to: distribution of accumulated additional contributions under the Wisconsin Retirement System.

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 adoption:

Ayes: 10 – Representatives Newcomer, Kaufert, Wieckert, Townsend, Kramer, Kestell, Richards, Zepnick, Smith and Nelson.

Noes: 0.

Passage as amended:

Ayes: 10 – Representatives Newcomer, Kaufert, Wieckert, Townsend, Kramer, Kestell, Richards, Zepnick, Smith and Nelson.

Noes: 0.

To committee on **Rules**.

Assembly Bill 568

Relating to: regulating foreclosure reconveyances and foreclosure consultants, staying certain eviction actions, providing an exemption from rule-making procedures, and providing a penalty.

Assembly Amendment 1 adoption:

Ayes: 10 – Representatives Newcomer, Kaufert, Wieckert, Townsend, Kramer, Kestell, Richards, Zepnick, Smith and Nelson.

Noes: 0.

Passage as amended:

Ayes: 9 – Representatives Newcomer, Kaufert, Wieckert, Townsend, Kestell, Richards, Zepnick, Smith and Nelson.

Noes: 1 – Representative Kramer.

To committee on **Rules**.

Assembly Bill 605

Relating to: investment of assets in the state investment fund (suggested as remedial legislation by the Investment Board).

Passage:

Ayes: 10 – Representatives Newcomer, Kaufert, Wieckert, Townsend, Kramer, Kestell, Richards, Zepnick, Smith and Nelson.

Noes: 0.

To committee on **Rules**.

Assembly Bill 606

Relating to: Investment Board report dealing with investments in this state (suggested as remedial legislation by the Investment Board).

Passage:

Ayes: 10 – Representatives Newcomer, Kaufert, Wieckert, Townsend, Kramer, Kestell, Richards, Zepnick, Smith and Nelson.

Noes: 0.

To committee on **Rules**.

Assembly Bill 615

Relating to: service on foreign corporations (suggested as remedial legislation by the Office of the Secretary of State).

Passage:

Ayes: 9 – Representatives Newcomer, Kaufert, Wieckert, Townsend, Kramer, Kestell, Richards, Zepnick and Smith.
Noes: 1 – Representative Nelson.

To committee on **Rules**.

Assembly Bill 617

Relating to: adding the definition of fiscal year to abandoned property reporting requirements law and assessment of a service charge after June 30 regarding abandoned property (suggested as remedial legislation by the Office of the State Treasurer).

Passage:

Ayes: 10 – Representatives Newcomer, Kaufert, Wieckert, Townsend, Kramer, Kestell, Richards, Zepnick, Smith and Nelson.
Noes: 0.

To committee on **Rules**.

Assembly Bill 623

Relating to: investments and operations of the State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

Passage:

Ayes: 10 – Representatives Newcomer, Kaufert, Wieckert, Townsend, Kramer, Kestell, Richards, Zepnick, Smith and Nelson.
Noes: 0.

To committee on **Rules**.

SCOTT NEWCOMER
Chairperson
Committee on Financial Institutions

The committee on **Natural Resources** reports and recommends:

Assembly Bill 504

Relating to: the appointment of the secretary of natural resources.

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 adoption:

Ayes: 13 – Representatives Gunderson, J. Ott, Bies, M. Williams, Moulton, Nerison, Mursau, Black, Molepske, Steinbrink, Hraychuck, Hebl and Mason.
Noes: 1 – Representative LeMahieu.

Passage as amended:

Ayes: 13 – Representatives Gunderson, J. Ott, Bies, M. Williams, Moulton, Nerison, Mursau, Black, Molepske, Steinbrink, Hraychuck, Hebl and Mason.
Noes: 1 – Representative LeMahieu.

To committee on **Rules**.

SCOTT GUNDERSON
Chairperson
Committee on Natural Resources

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

From: Robert J. Marchant, Senate Chief Clerk.

Mr. Speaker:

I am directed to inform you that the Senate has

Adopted and asks concurrence in:

Senate Joint Resolution 62
Senate Joint Resolution 63
Senate Joint Resolution 74
Senate Joint Resolution 77
Senate Joint Resolution 79
Senate Joint Resolution 81
Senate Joint Resolution 83
Senate Joint Resolution 84
Senate Joint Resolution 85
Senate Joint Resolution 86
Senate Joint Resolution 87

Passed and asks concurrence in:

Senate Bill 98
Senate Bill 103
Senate Bill 128
Senate Bill 138
Senate Bill 244
Senate Bill 260
Senate Bill 275
Senate Bill 299
Senate Bill 324
Senate Bill 326
Senate Bill 366
Senate Bill 402

Concurred in:

Assembly Joint Resolution 66
Assembly Joint Resolution 68
Assembly Joint Resolution 77
Assembly Bill 246
Assembly Bill 539

ACTION ON THE SENATE MESSAGE

Senate Joint Resolution 62

Relating to: the life and service of United States Army Specialist Eric D. Clark, who lost his life during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

By Senator Wirch; cosponsored by Representative Steinbrink.

To committee on **Rules**.

Senate Joint Resolution 63

Relating to: the life and service of Staff Sergeant Robert J. Basham of the Wisconsin Army National Guard, who lost his life during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

By Senator Wirch; cosponsored by Representative Steinbrink.

To committee on **Rules**.

Senate Joint Resolution 74

Relating to: the life and military service of United States Army Captain Christian Skoglund.

By Senator Lehman; cosponsored by Representatives Mason, Turner and Vos.

To committee on **Rules**.

Senate Joint Resolution 77

Relating to: the life and military service of Lance Corporal Andrew Matus of the United States Marine Corps who lost his life during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

By Senator Decker; cosponsored by Representative M. Williams.

To committee on **Rules**.

Senate Joint Resolution 79

Relating to: the life and military service of Corporal Matthew Ross Zindars.

By Senator S. Fitzgerald; cosponsored by Representative Kleefisch.

To committee on **Rules**.

Senate Joint Resolution 81

Relating to: the life and public service of Governor Lee Sherman Dreyfus.

By Senators Kanavas, Lassa, Lazich, Taylor, Hansen, Harsdorf, Decker, Risser, Plale, Roessler, Schultz, S. Fitzgerald, Darling, Carpenter, Kedzie, Olsen, Ellis and Cowles; cosponsored by Representatives Kramer, Molepske, Hines, Kleefisch, Jorgensen, Van Akkeren, J. Ott, Gunderson, Sheridan, Pocan, Nygren, Ballweg, Zipperer, Soletski, Hebl, Albers, Kreuser, Hubler, Cullen, Sinicki, Jeskewitz, Zepnick, Boyle, Gronemus, Tauchen, Musser, Nass, Turner, Seidel, Owens, Fields, Townsend, Petrowski, Bies, Mursau, Hintz, A. Ott, Vos, Berceau and Hahn.

To committee on **Rules**.

Senate Joint Resolution 83

Relating to: the Professional Ambulance Association of Wisconsin.

By Senators Wirsch, Hansen, Harsdorf, Schultz, Lazich, Cowles, Lehman, Olsen, Plale, Roessler, Taylor and Lassa; cosponsored by Representatives Davis, Sheridan, Sinicki, Hebl, Boyle, Hahn, Turner, Kerkman, Jeskewitz, Ballweg, Van Roy, Townsend, Berceau, Bies, Steinbrink, Gunderson, Soletski, A. Ott, Hraychuck, Albers and Petrowski.

To committee on **Rules**.

Senate Joint Resolution 84

Relating to: recognizing February 2008 as American Heart Month and February 1, 2008, as Wear Red For Women Day.

By Senators Kreitlow, Taylor, Darling, Lehman, Olsen and Roessler.

To committee on **Rules**.

Senate Joint Resolution 85

Relating to: the life and military service of Second Lieutenant Tracy Lynn Alger.

By Senator Kreitlow; cosponsored by Representative Wood.

To committee on **Rules**.

Senate Joint Resolution 86

Relating to: the life and service of Corporal Jason F. Lemke of the United States Army, who lost his life during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

By Senator Sullivan; cosponsored by Representatives Staskunas and Cullen.

To committee on **Rules**.

Senate Joint Resolution 87

Relating to: the life and public service of John R. Moses.

By Senators Sullivan, Olsen, Risser, Harsdorf, Lehman, Hansen, Cowles and Roessler; cosponsored by Representatives Musser, Jeskewitz, Sheridan, Townsend, Ballweg, Kerkman, Bies, Cullen, Gronemus, Schneider, M. Williams, Turner, Hahn, Hebl, Travis, A. Ott, Hintz, Kleefisch, Boyle and Soletski.

To committee on **Rules**.

Senate Bill 98

Relating to: providing benefits to tribal schools and tribal school pupils similar to those provided to private schools and private school pupils and making an appropriation.

By Joint Legislative Council.

To committee on **Education Reform**.

Senate Bill 103

Relating to: crimes against children and providing penalties.

By Joint Legislative Council.

To committee on **Rules**.

Senate Bill 128

Relating to: heated exterior pedestrian walkways.

By Senators Decker, Plale, Breske, Schultz and Olsen; cosponsored by Representatives Montgomery, Mason, Musser, Jeskewitz, Seidel, Sheridan, A. Ott, Albers, Hahn, M. Williams, Hixson and Gunderson.

To committee on **Rules**.

Senate Bill 138

Relating to: claims for loss of society and companionship in medical malpractice cases.

By Senators Plale, Risser, Hansen, Sullivan and Breske; cosponsored by Representatives Staskunas, Zepnick, Parisi, Hixson, Berceau and Turner.

To committee on **Judiciary and Ethics**.

Senate Bill 244

Relating to: prosecution decisions based on certain payments to organizations or agencies.

By Senators Hansen, Lehman and Lassa; cosponsored by Representatives Albers, Soletski, Berceau and Townsend.

To committee on **Rules**.

Senate Bill 260

Relating to: strangulation and suffocation, and providing a penalty.

By Senators Lassa, Kapanke, Kanavas, Plale, Darling, Lazich, A. Lasee, Roessler, Lehman, Sullivan, Olsen,

Harsdorf, Hansen, Schultz, Cowles, Risser and Grothman; cosponsored by Representatives Gundrum, Hrachuck, Berceau, Gunderson, Sinicki, A. Ott, Hilgenberg, Parisi, Sheridan, Jeskewitz, Musser, Molepske, Hahn, Albers, Shilling, Townsend, Kaufert, Newcomer, LeMahieu, J. Ott, Mursau, Hintz, Tauchen, Hines, Ballweg, Nerison and Steinbrink.

To committee on **Rules**.

Senate Bill 275

Relating to: furnishing or using certain consumer loan information to make solicitations and providing a penalty.

By Senators Sullivan, Kreitlow, Coggs, Darling, Erpenbach, Lehman, Vinehout, Olsen, Plale, Hansen, Kapanke, Grothman, Leibham and Lassa; cosponsored by Representatives Newcomer, Kleefisch, Albers, Ballweg, Berceau, Bies, Davis, Friske, Hahn, Hintz, Hixson, Honadel, Jeskewitz, Kramer, LeMahieu, Lothian, Mason, Montgomery, Musser, Parisi, Petersen, Petrowski, Richards, Roth, Sinicki, Staskunas, Townsend, A. Williams, Wood, Zepnick and Pocan.

To committee on **Rules**.

Senate Bill 299

Relating to: distribution of a portion of the school levy tax credit.

By Senators Lehman, Hansen, Kreitlow, Vinehout, Wirsch, Erpenbach, Schultz, Carpenter, Coggs, Decker, Olsen, Taylor, Lassa and Grothman; cosponsored by Representatives Gottlieb, Mason, Nelson, Turner, Hilgenberg, Gronemus, Sheridan, Hintz, Hebl, Hixson, Pope-Roberts, Vruwink, Strachota, Cullen, Sinicki, Zepnick and Staskunas.

To joint committee on **Finance**.

Senate Bill 324

Relating to: grants to community health centers (suggested as remedial legislation by the Department of Health and Family Services).

By Law Revision Committee.

To committee on **Public Health**.

Senate Bill 326

Relating to: eliminating reimbursement rate requirements for certain respiratory care services (suggested as remedial legislation by the Department of Health and Family Services).

By Law Revision Committee.

To committee on **Public Health**.

Senate Bill 366

Relating to: unfunded pension liability financing in populous counties and membership on the pension study committee.

By Senators Coggs, Taylor, Darling, Plale and Lazich; cosponsored by Representatives Stone, Honadel, Young, Zepnick, Fields, Sinicki, A. Williams, Ballweg, Hahn, Turner and Vos.

To committee on **Rules**.

Senate Bill 402

Relating to: expenditure of \$228,792.62 from moneys appropriated to the Department of Administration in payment

of a claim against the state to indemnify Georgia Thompson, a state of Wisconsin employee.

By Senator Miller; cosponsored by Representative Stone.
To committee on **Rules**.

SPEAKER'S COMMUNICATIONS

February 1, 2008

Mr. Patrick Fuller
Chief Clerk, Wisconsin State Assembly
Room 401, Risser Justice Center
17 West Main Street
Madison, Wisconsin 53708

Dear Patrick:

Pursuant to Assembly Rule 42 (3)(c), I am withdrawing **Assembly Bill 579** from the Assembly Committee on Judiciary and Ethics and re-referring it to the Assembly Committee on Corrections and the Courts. I have the consent of Representative Suder, chair of Judiciary and Ethics, to take this action.

Pursuant to Assembly Rule 42 (3)(c), I am withdrawing **Assembly Bill 739** from the Joint Committee on Finance and re-referring it to the Assembly Committee on State Affairs. I have the consent of Representative Rhoades, Assembly co-chair of Joint Committee on Finance, to take this action.

Please call Jodi Jensen of my office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
MIKE HUEBSCH
Assembly Speaker

COMMUNICATIONS

February 1, 2008

Patrick Fuller
Assembly Chief Clerk
17 West Main Street, Suite 401
Madison, WI 53708

Dear Mr. Fuller:

Please add me as a co-sponsor to the following Assembly Bills: 77, 83, 232 and 294.

Sincerely,
LENA C. TAYLOR
State Senator
4th Senate District

February 1, 2008

Patrick Fuller
Assembly Chief Clerk
17 West Main Street, Suite 401
Madison, WI 53708

Dear Chief Clerk Fuller:

Please add my name as a co-sponsor of Assembly Bill 672.

Sincerely,
GLENN GROTHMAN
State Senator
20th Senate District

February 4, 2008

Patrick Fuller
Assembly Chief Clerk
17 West Main Street, Suite 401
Madison, WI 53708

Dear Chief Clerk Fuller:

Please remove my name as a co-sponsor of Assembly Bill 651. I no longer support the bill.

If you have questions about this request or if I need to go about this in a different manner please contact me immediately.

Sincerely,
SHERYL K. ALBERS
State Representative
50th Assembly District

February 4, 2008

Patrick Fuller
Assembly Chief Clerk
17 West Main Street, Suite 401
Madison, WI 53708

Dear Chief Clerk Fuller:

Please add my name as a co-author of Assembly Bill 762, relating to the income and franchise tax credit that supplements the federal historic rehabilitation tax credit.

Sincerely,
ROBIN VOS
State Representative
63rd Assembly District

AGENCY REPORTS

State of Wisconsin
Investment Board
Madison

January 31, 2008

To the Honorable, the Legislature:

I have attached electronic copies of the FY 2007 Annual Report and Schedule of Investments for the State of Wisconsin Investment Board. The report contains

Independent Auditor's Reports, prepared by the Legislative Audit Bureau, for the funds that we manage. The funds include the Core and Variable Trust Funds of the Wisconsin Retirement System, the State Investment Fund and various smaller funds. The Schedule of Investments lists all investments that SWIB held as of June 30, 2007.

I ask that you distribute the electronic copies to the members of the Legislature. We also have hard copies of both reports available. Any member who would prefer a hard copy of either the Annual Report or the Schedule of Investments should contact Sandy Drew (261-0182). Thank you.

Sincerely,
KEITH BOZARTH
Executive Director

State of Wisconsin
Legislative Audit Bureau
Madison

February 1, 2008

To the Honorable, the Assembly:

We have completed a review of 17-year-old offenders in the adult criminal justice system, as requested by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee. Wisconsin is currently 1 of 13 states in which individuals under the age of 18 are treated as adults in the justice system. We reviewed a variety of statistics, including data on arrests, the number and type of criminal charges filed, sentences imposed, prison admissions, probation placements, and recidivism.

From 2002 through 2006, 585 individuals who were 17 at the time of offense were admitted to prison and 10,632 were placed on probation. Of those admitted to prison, 429 participated in at least one educational program, but participation in other types of rehabilitation or treatment programs was much less frequent.

In a review of rates of recidivism and probation revocation among 17-year-olds, we found that fewer than one-half of 17-year-old offenders successfully completed probation, and 17-year-old offenders had higher recidivism rates than either juveniles or older adults.

Legislation currently under consideration would return 17-year-olds to the juvenile system. This change would have a significant effect on counties, which are primarily responsible for operating and funding juvenile corrections services. We estimate the juvenile corrections cost increase could range from \$53.5 million to \$82.4 million annually.

We appreciate the courtesy extended to us by officials and staff of the Department of Corrections and other state and local agencies we contacted during our review. The Department's response follows the appendices.

Respectfully submitted,
JANICE MUELLER
State Auditor